Serving or retired and none of his/her ward is working in Railways) should be given the offer of appointment and should also be in the criteria of age" is being followed in the Southern Railway while making recruitments for posts mentioned in part (a) above;

(c) whether Daksin Railway Employees Union have submitted representations to the Chief Workshop Manager/Southern Railway, Golden Rock urging them to conduct the selections purely on the norms mentioned in part (b) above and avoid irregularities; and

(d) whether any steps are being taken to complete the recruitments and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Legislation on Construction Labour

1724. SHRI A. NALLASIVAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Tamil Nadu State Government had enacted legislation known as "Tamil Nadu Building and Construction workers (Conditions of Employment and Miscellaneous Provision) Act, 1984";

(b) whether it is also a fact that framing of rules and norms under the said act has been deffered by Tamil Nadu Government in view of proposed Central legislation relating to Building and Construction workers; and

(c) if so, what is the progress made in respect of the Bill known as The Building and other Construction Workers (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Services) Bill 1988?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABUOR (SHRI PABAN SING GHATOWAR): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The Building and Other Construction Workers (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Service) Bill, 1988 was being taken up for consideration in the Rajya Sabha on 25th July, 1989 when the then Minister for Labour sought permission of the House to defer consideration of the Bill in view of the fact that a meassage had been received from the Lok Sabha Secretariat that Committee on Petitions had recommended that the Government should consider the draft Bill submitted by the National Campaign Committee for Central Legislation on Construction Labour Following extensive examination of the suggestion of the National Campaign Committee, the detalis are being worked out.

Representation by Railway Pensioners' Welfare Association

1725. SHRI A. NALLASIVAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a representation dated 27th June, 1991 have been received by Government from Railway Pensioners' Welfare Association, Madras urging for implementation of the IV Central Pay Commission's recommendations for grant of ex-gratia payments to living railway employees who retired under Provident Fund rules.

(b) if so, whether Government are considering their request;

(c) whether Government have already implemented the recommendation for grant of Ex-gratia in respect of dependents of deceased Provident Fund Retirees; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The request was duly considered but could not be agreed to because the recommendations of the IV Pay Commission in this regard have not been accepted by the Government.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Widows and dependent children of the decreased CPF beneficiaries who had retired prior to 1-1-1986 are entitled for